

ABSTRACT

HARD DISK DRIVE WITH TRANSPARENT COVER, FLASHING DEVICE, AND WITH SPECIALLY DECORATED TOP PLATE OR HUB FOR STORAGE APPLICATIONS WITH A VISUALLY OBSERVABLE DISK DRIVE

[0034] A hard disk drive is provided with a transparent cover that allows the elements of the disk drive to be observed while they are in operation. The cover also can be tinted with different colors or made somewhat translucent for further differentiation. In addition, decorations and/or various patterns, such as a diffraction grating pattern, may be placed or formed on the cover, the hub, and/or the actuator to further emphasize particular aspects of the disk drive. A flashing device can also be used to accentuate the rotational motion of the disk and/or hub.